

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

In the Matter of) Docket No. 2008-0273
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION)
Instituting a Proceeding to Investigate)
the Implementation Of Feed-in Tariffs)

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COMMENTS ON PROPOSED TIERS 1 AND 2 TARIFFS

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Aloha Commissioners,

Life of the Land's comments are not comprehensive and do not attempt to address all aspects of the proposed tariff and proposed alternate tariff filings.

Life of the Land defers to renewable energy developers on the cost of installing renewable energy systems.

We continue to support the middle path on feed in tariffs: recognizing that feed-in tariffs can significantly increase the use of renewable energy in a cost-effective way, cognizant on the one hand that some locations present problems for adding intermittent renewables in the immediate future, while cognizant on the other hand that having excessive restrictions and requirements is not the way to go either.

The middle path must be open, transparent, easy to understand, with adequate disclosure so that those proposing to apply for FiT tariffs have a clear understanding of the process.

Life of the Land continues to participate in on-going discussions include with the Independent Observer (who whom met this week), the queueing procedures, Interconnection Requirements Study (IRS) timelines and deadlines, and web applications.

We are also aware that anticipated changes in state and federal law may have great impact on Feed-in Tariffs.

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The foregoing LIFE OF THE LAND COMMENTS ON PROPOSED TIERS 1 AND 2 TARIFFS was hand delivered to the original and 4 copies to the Commission, one copy to the Consumer Advocate, and emailed copies to the other parties listed below.

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